Unued States District Court

SOUTHERN

DISTRICT OF ____

The Annuity, Pension, Welfare and Apprenticeship Skill Improvement & Safety Funds of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 137, 137A, 137B, 137C & 137R et al.

Daniel A. Budd Excavating & Contracting, LLC and Budd Brothers Construction, Inc.

SUMMONS IN A CIVIL CASE

CASE NUMBER:

07 CIV. 3698

JUDGE CONNER

TO: (Name and address of defendant)

Daniel A. Budd Excavating & Contracting, LLC 10 Charles Street, Suite B Pleasant Valley, New York 12569

Budd Brothers Construction, Inc. 10 Charles Street, Suite B Pleasant Valley, New York 12569

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY (name and address)

BRADY McGUIRE & STEINBERG, P.C. 603 WARBURTON AVENUE HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK 10706

an answer to the complaint which is herewith served upon you, within	Twenty (20)	days after service of this
summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so	o, judgment by default wi	ill be taken against you for
the relief demanded in the complaint. You must also file your answer wi	ith the Clerk of this Court	within a reasonable period
of time after service.		

MAY 1 0 2007

Case 7:07-cv-03698-WCC Document 8-2 Filed 07/17/2007 Page 3 of 11 AFFIDAVIT OF SERV. JE ON A CORPORATION BY THE SLIRETARY OF STATE

Index # 07 CIV. 3698 State of New York

U. S. District Court

Purchased/Filed: May 10, 2007

Southern New York County

The Annuity, Pension, Welfare and Apprenticeship Skill Improvement & Safety Funds of the

Plaintiff

against

Daniel A. Budd Excavating & Contracting, LLC and Budd Brothers Construction, Inc.

Defendant

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF FULTON

SS

CITY OF GLOVERSVILLE

Gerald Skinner

, being duly sworn, deposes and says: deponent is over

the age of twenty-one (21) years; that on

June 19, 2007

8:08AM , at the office

of the Secretary of State of the State of New York in the City of Albany, New York, deponent served the annexed

Summons in a Civil Case and Complaint

, on

Daniel A. Budd Excavating & Contracting, LLC

Defendant in this action, by delivering to and leaving with

Carol Vogt

AUTHORIZED AGENT in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, personally at the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, two (2) true copies thereof and that at the time of making such service, deponent paid said Secretary of State a fee of 40.00 dollars; that said service was made pursuant to Section 303 LLC.

Deponent further says that deponent knew the person so served as aforesaid to be the agent in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, duly authorized to accept such service on behalf of said defendant.

Description of the person served: Approx. Age: 49 Approx. weight: 110 Approx. Ht.: 5'1"

Sex: Female Color of skin: White - Color of hair: Brown Other:

Sworn to before me on this

19th day of

June, 2007

County Olden

NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York 01SK6024054

May, 03 2011

Invoice Work Order # 062064

Case 7:07-cv-03698-WCC Document 8-2 Filed 07/17/2007 Page 4 of 11 RETARY OF STATE E ON A CORPORATION BY THE S AFFIDAVIT OF SER

Purchased/Filed: May 10, 2007 Index # 07 CIV. 3698 Southern New York County State of New York U. S. District Court The Annuity, Pension, Welfare and Apprenticeship Skill Improvement & Safety Funds of the Plaintiff

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF FULTON SS CITY OF GLOVERSVILLE

Daniel A. Budd Excavating & Contracting, LLC and Budd Brothers Construction, Inc.

, being duly sworn, deposes and says: deponent is over Gerald Skinner

8:08AM , at the office the age of twenty-one (21) years; that on June 19, 2007 of the Secretary of State of the State of New York in the City of Albany, New York, deponent served the annexed

Summons in a Civil Case and Complaint

Budd Brothers Construction, Inc.

Defendant in this action, by delivering to and leaving with Carol Vogt

AUTHORIZED AGENT in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, personally at the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, two (2) true copies thereof and that at the time of making such service, deponent paid said Secretary of State a fee of 40.00 dollars; that said service was made pursuant to Section 306 Business Corporation Law .

Deponent further says that deponent knew the person so served as aforesaid to be the agent in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, duly authorized to accept such service on behalf of said defendant. Description of the person served: Approx. Age: 49 Approx. weight: 110 Sex: Female Color of skin: White Color of hair: Brown Other:

Sworn to before June, 2007

> NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York 01SK6024054

May, 03 2011

Invoice•Work Order # 062065

Defendant

, on

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

THE ANNUITY, PENSION, WELFARE and APPRENTICESHIP SKILL IMPROVEMENT AND SAFETY FUNDS of the INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 137, 137A, 137B, 137C & 137R, AFL-CIO, by its TRUSTEES EDWARD KELLY, JEFFREY LOUGHLIN, PETER PATERNO, ROSS PEPE, NICHOLAS SIGNORELLI and NICHOLAS SIGNORELLI, JR., and JOHN and JANE DOE, as Beneficiaries of the ANNUITY, PENSION, WELFARE and APPRENTICESHIP SKILL IMPROVEMENT AND SAFETY FUNDS of the INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 137, 137A, 137B, 137C & 137R, AFL-CIO,

MAY 102007 USDC WP SDNY

CIV. 3698

COMPLAINT

07-CIV-

Plaintiffs,

JUDGE CONNER

-against-

DANIEL A.BUDD EXCAVATING & CONTRACTING, LLC and BUDD BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, INC.,

Defendants.

Plaintiffs, by their attorneys, BRADY McGUIRE & STEINBERG, P.C., for their Complaint, respectfully allege:

 This is an action arising under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 1001 et seq. ("ERISA") to recover delinquent contributions owed to employee fringe benefit trust funds.

JURISDICTION

- The subject matter jurisdiction of this Court is invoked pursuant to Sections 502 and 515 of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. §§ 1132 and 1145.
- Venue is properly laid in the Southern District of New York pursuant to Section
 502(e)(2) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132(e)(2), in that, as shown below, the ANNUITY,
 PENSION, WELFARE and APPRENTICESHIP SKILL IMPROVEMENT & SAFETY FUNDS

of the INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 137, 137A, 137B, 137C & 137R, AFL-CIO ("LOCAL 137") are administered in the County of Westchester, State of New York at 1360 Pleasantville Road, Briarcliff Manor, New York 10510.

THE PARTIES

- 4. The LOCAL 137 ANNUITY, PENSION, WELFARE and APPRENTICESHIP

 SKILL IMPROVEMENT AND SAFETY FUNDS (hereinafter collectively referred to as the

 "LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS") are joint trustee funds established by various trust indentures

 pursuant to Section 302 of the Labor Management Relations Act, 29 U.S.C. § 186. The Trustees

 of the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS maintain the subject plans at offices located at 1360

 Pleasantville Road, Briarcliff Manor, New York.
- 5. EDWARD KELLY, JEFFREY LOUGHLIN, PETER PATERNO, ROSS PEPE, NICHOLAS SIGNORELLI and NICHOLAS SIGNORELLI, JR. are Trustees of the LOCAL 137 ANNUITY, PENSION, WELFARE and APPRENTICESHIP SKILL IMPROVEMENT AND SAFETY FUNDS and are "fiduciaries" within the meaning of Section 3(21) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1002(21).
- 6. The LOCAL 137 ANNUITY and PENSION FUNDS are employee pension benefit plans within the meaning of Section 3(2) of the ERISA, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 1002(2), established for the purpose of providing retirement income to employees.
- 7. The LOCAL 137 WELFARE and APPRENTICESHIP SKILL IMPROVEMENT AND SAFETY FUNDS, are employee welfare benefit plans within the meaning of Section 3(1) of ERISA, 29, U.S.C. §1002(1), established for the purpose of providing medical and other benefits to the employees of contributing employers.
- JOHN and JANE DOE are beneficiaries of the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS within the meaning of Section 3(8) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1002(8).

- The LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS constitute multi-employer/employee benefit plans within the meaning of Sections 3(3) and 3(37) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1002(3) and (37).
- 10. Upon information and belief, Defendant DANIEL A.BUDD EXCAVATING & CONTRACTING, LLC ("BUDD EXCAVATING") was and still is a New York corporation, with its principal place of business located at 10 Charles Street, Suite B, Pleasant Valley, New York 12569.
- Upon information and belief, BUDD EXCAVATING was and still is a foreign corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of New York.
- Upon information and belief, BUDD EXCAVATING was and still is a foreign corporation doing business in the State of New York.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant, BUDD EXCAVATING is an employer within the meaning of Section 3(5) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1002(5).
- 14. Upon information and belief, Defendant BUDD BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, INC. ("BUDD CONSTRUCTION") was and still is a New York corporation, with its principal place of business located at 10 Charles Street, Suite B, Pleasant Valley, New York 12569.
- Upon information and belief, BUDD CONSTRUCTION was and still is a foreign corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of New York.
- Upon information and belief, BUDD CONSTRUCTION was and still is a foreign corporation doing business in the State of New York.
- Upon information and belief, Defendant, BUDD CONSTRUCTION is an employer within the meaning of Section 3(5) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1002(5).

AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

- 18. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every paragraph of the Complaint numbered 1 through 17 inclusive, with the same force and effect as though more fully set forth at length herein.
- 19. At all relevant times, Defendants BUDD EXCAVATING and BUDD CONSTRUCTION agreed to be bound by the terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement between LOCAL 137 and the CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY COUNCIL OF WESTCHESTER & HUDSON VALLEY, INC. (the "CIC") known as the "Engineering Heavy & Highway Agreement" (hereinafter referred to as the "Collective Bargaining Agreement").
- 20. LOCAL 137 is a labor organization as defined in Section 2 of the LMRA, 29 U.S.C. § 152 et seq., having its principal office for the transaction of business at 1360 Pleasantville Road, Briarcliff Manor, New York.
- 21. Upon information and belief, Defendants BUDD EXCAVATING and BUDD CONSTRUCTION have failed to make the contractually required fringe benefit contributions to the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS for the period of May 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 in the amount of \$21,611.86 in violation of Section 515 of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1145 which requires that employers pay fringe benefit contributions in accordance with the terms and conditions of the applicable collective bargaining agreement.
- 22. Despite repeated efforts by the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS to collect the contributions owed, BUDD EXCAVATING and BUDD CONSTRUCTION remain delinquent in making the proper contributions and has failed to pay any of the outstanding contributions owed to the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS as detailed above.
- Section 502 of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132 provides that upon a finding of an employer's violation of Section 515 of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1145, the Court shall award to the

Plaintiff Trust Funds: (a) the amount owed in unpaid fringe benefit contributions; together with (b) interest on the unpaid contributions computed at the rate provided for under the Plaintiff Trust Funds' Plan Documents, or if none, at the rate set forth in the United States Internal Revenue Code at 26 U.S.C. § 6621; (c) statutory damages; (d) reasonable attorneys' fees; and (e) the costs and disbursements of the action.

24. Accordingly, as a direct and proximate result of Defendants BUDD

EXCAVATING'S and BUDD CONSTRUCTION'S defaults, omissions and breaches of the

Collective Bargaining Agreement and Section 515 of ERISA, Defendants BUDD

EXCAVATING and BUDD CONSTRUCTION are liable to the Plaintiffs in the amount of no

less than \$21,611.86 along with potentially additional contributions, together with accumulated interest on the unpaid and/or untimely paid principal amount due and owing, statutory damages, reasonable attorneys' fees, and the costs and disbursements incurred in this action pursuant to Section 502 of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132.

AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

- 25. The Plaintiffs repeat and reallege each and every paragraph of the Complaint numbered 1 through 24 inclusive with the same force and effect as though more fully set forth at length herein.
- 26. Under the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement and ERISA, an employer is required to make payments to the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS based upon an agreed sum or percentage for each employee hour of its hourly payroll worked or wages paid, and to report such employee hours and wages to the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS.
- 27. Under the terms of the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS' Agreements, State law and ERISA, Plaintiffs are entitled to audit BUDD EXCAVATING'S and BUDD CONSTRUCTION'S books and records.

- 28. Upon information and belief, Defendants BUDD EXCAVATING and BUDD CONSTRUCTION may have underreported the number of employees, the amount of employee hours and wages paid to its employers and the contributions due.
- Plaintiffs therefore demand and audit of BUDD EXCAVATING'S and BUDD
 CONSTRUCTION'S books and records.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment on the First Cause of Action as follows:

- 1. Of Defendants DANIEL A.BUDD EXCAVATING & CONTRACTING, LLC and BUDD BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, INC. in the amount of contributions determined to be due and owing to the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS of \$21,611.86, plus any additional monies that may be determined to become justly due and owing to the LOCAL 137 TRUST FUNDS during the pendency of this action and before final judgment, together with:
- a. Prejudgment interest, computed at the plan rate or the applicable United States Treasury rate from the date on which the first payment was due on the total amount owed by Defendants, in accordance with Section 502(g)(2)(B) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132(g)(2)(B);
- Statutory damages in accordance with Section 502(g)(2)(C) of ERISA, 29
 U.S.C. § 1132(g)(2)(C);
- Attorneys' fees, costs and disbursements in accordance with Section 502(g)(2)(C) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132(g)(2)(D); and
- d. Such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper in accordance with Section 502(g)(2)(E) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132(g)(2)(E).

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment on the Second Cause of Action as follows:

An order requiring Defendants DANIEL A.BUDD EXCAVATING &

CONTRACTING, LLC and BUDD BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, INC. to submit all books

and records to Plaintiffs for audit at its cost in accordance with Section 502(g)(2)(E) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132(g)(2)(E); and

2. Such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper in accordance with Section 502(g)(2)(E) of ERISA, 29 U.S.C. § 1132(g)(2)(E).

Dated: Hastings-on-Hudson, New York May 4, 2007

Yours, etc.

BRADY McGUIRE & STEINBERG, P.C.

James M. Steinberg (JS-3515)

Attorneys for Plaintiffs -603 Warburton Avenue

Hastings-on-Hudson, New York 10706

(914) 478-4293